

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 7 and 14 through 16 have been canceled. Claims 8 through 13, 17, and 18 have been amended. Claims 8 through 13, 17, and 18 remain in the application.

Based on the Decision of the Board of Patent Appeals, claims 1, 7, and 16 have been canceled. Claims 17 and 18 have been rewritten in independent form. Claims 8 through 13 have been amended to depend from independent claims 17 and 18. It is respectfully submitted that claims 8 through 13, 17, and 18 are allowable.

Based on the above, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are in a condition for allowance, which allowance is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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